

CITY OF OXFORD

City Manager's Report

July 12, 2016

FINANCE - I am pleased to announce that Melissa LaBar has been promoted to the position of Finance & Accounting Specialist (Hak's former position). We are now posting to fill her former position of Payroll and Personnel Technician.

Hak Ung and I met with the LGC this afternoon to discuss the state loan for 12" water transmission mains along HWY15, the proposed elevated storage tank. This loan was approved. However, they will send out one of their staff to review Finance Department operations with Hak.

PUBLIC WORKS - New cameras have been installed around the public works building. The resolution has the clarity of a camera and viewing can be accessed remotely from the Directors cell phone. They are currently interviewing to replace a position and hope to be up to full staff shortly.

ADMINISTRATION - I attended an Economic Development workshop in Henderson in June. It was especially helpful as part of the program discussed North Carolina statutes on economic development.

I met with representatives of the NC League to discuss our workers comp claims. Our claims are up and our premiums will reflect this increase.

ENGINEERING - The Emergency Action Plan provided the NC Department of Energy, Mineral and Land Resources for Lake Devin Dam has been approved to maintain and operate the dam to provide public safety.

POLICE - During the month of June, officer wrote 95 traffic related charges to include speeding, suspended operator license, expired registration plate, no insurance, etc. Also, 6 DWI charges, 14 parking violations, 98 warning citations and investigated 35 motor vehicle collisions. There were 10 drug related charges. A total of 100 individuals were arrested throughout the month.

Oxford's Emergency Response Team attended training at the North Carolina Justice Academy this month. Several SWAT teams throughout the state were in attendance. Additionally, three members attended Basic SWAT training through Vance Granville Community College.

BOARD REQUESTS FOR FOLLOW-UP

Airport Authority – I read the original document forming the Aeronautics Authority of the City of Oxford, Henderson, Granville and Vance Counties. I was able to review a cumulative total of 22,041 flights from 1998 through 2003. I do not have data from 2004 forward. I have provided Tom Burnette a copy of the original agreement to review language for possible dissolution as mentioned at a prior board meeting.

Cherry street railroad crossing paving is slated to be repaired shortly. The other streets that also need repair are controlled by NDOT and we cannot repair/repave them. We will bring attention to the areas that we consider dangerous and ask NDOT to prioritize their repair.

I reviewed the NC laws pertaining to the sale of city property and have discussed with Tom Burnette the options to allow one or more city owned parcels to be sold for residential and commercial development.

I have shared with Dud request for the I85 interchanges and islands to be cut as they cast an unattractive sight of the gateways to the city.

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